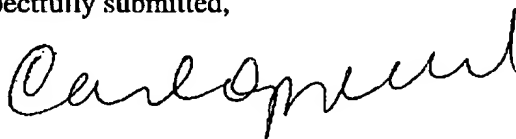


REMARKS

This paper responds to the Office Action dated December 15, 2003.

Reconsideration and allowance is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



Carl Oppedahl
PTO Reg. No. 32,746
Oppedahl & Larson LLP
P O Box 5068
Dillon, CO 80435-5068
email oppedahl@patents.com